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TEMPLE-BETH AM

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HIGH HOLY DAYS: SCHEDULE 2019-5780

SELICHOT

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Dessert and thought-provoking film:
"1945" • 7:00 p.m.

Based on the acclaimed short story
"Homecoming" by Gábor T. Szántó

On a summer day in 1945, an Orthodox man and his grown son return to a village in Hungary while the villagers prepare for the wedding of the town clerk's son. The townspeople – suspicious, remorseful, fearful, and cunning – expect the worst and behave accordingly. Director Ferenc Török paints a complex picture of a society trying to come to terms with the recent horrors they've experienced, perpetrated, or just tolerated for personal gain. A superb ensemble cast, lustrous black and white cinematography, and historically detailed art direction contribute to an eloquent drama that reiterates Thomas Wolfe's famed sentiment: you can't go home again.

Temple Beth Torah Chapel

Havdalah and Selichot Service •
8:45 p.m.

The musical pageantry of this very special evening sets a beautiful tone to begin to prepare for the New Year. This service will be led by Rabbi Leib, Rabbi Tornberg and Cantor Zarkh with participation by the Adult Volunteer Choir. There will be a dedication of two beautiful new Torah covers in memory of Sherrie and Neal Welsh as we dress our sifrei Torah in their special white High Holy Day garb.

Molish Sanctuary

WELCOMING OUR FAMILIES & HONORING OUR CONGREGANTS

The Clergy, Professional, Administrative and Maintenance Staff all work to make the High Holy Day season a very special and meaningful time. Children under b. mitzvah age will be admitted to all adult-oriented services; parental discretion is advised in bringing young children to these services.

A particular Beth Am *minhag* (custom, tradition) is to involve as many congregants as possible in our services with individual and group honors. Your contributions of time and financial considerations are very much appreciated. We would love to acknowledge everyone's efforts, but it is impossible to offer an *aliyah* or honor during the High Holy Day services to everyone in a congregation of our size. Our clergy, professional staff, and lay leadership thank each and every one of you for your efforts to strengthen our Temple and for your understanding. We look forward to greeting you during the High Holy Days and throughout the year.

*L'Shana Tovah Tikatevu.
May you be inscribed and
sealed for a good year.*

EREV ROSH HASHANAH SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Service Molish Sanctuary •
7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Sermon by Rabbi Tornberg: "Filling the Whole in Your Life"

Bring your unaffiliated friends and family to this beautiful service. The service will include a special Mi Shebeirach – Prayer for Healing - for the New Year. Elegant and meaningful in its simplicity and drama, the words and music of our prayer will strike a

chord in the hearts of all those attending. Whether you or someone you care for is in need of physical or spiritual healing, is in the recovery process, or if you are a caregiver, you and your guest(s) are invited to participate in this beautiful ceremony.

Membership badges not required.

ROSH HASHANAH MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Young Family Service •
9:00 – 9:45 a.m.

Temple Beth Torah Chapel

Led by Rabbi Tornberg with music by "Miss Leslie" Kraemer for families with children in Kindergarten and younger.

Membership badges not required.

Morning Service •
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Molish Sanctuary

Sermon by Rabbi Leib: "The Oldest Hatred: Living Bravely in the Shadow of Darkness"

Membership badges required.

Teen and Tween BAFTY-led Service •
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Temple Beth Torah Chapel

Grades 6-12, with music by guest song leader

Membership badges not required; teen friends welcome.

Family Service • 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Molish Sanctuary

Children Grades 1 – 5 and their families
Led by Rabbi Leib, Rabbi Tornberg and Cantor Zarkh

Membership badges not required.

Tashlich Service • 3:30 p.m.

At the home of Penny and Paul



Anderson, 1406 Valley Road,
Meadowbrook

Tashlich is a beautiful custom of the High Holy Days held during the afternoon on the first day of Rosh HaShanah. We gather at the edge of a body of running water to symbolically cast away sins of omission and commission, using breadcrumbs. This short service concludes with throwing bread into the water, cleansing ourselves of those transgressions against both God and humankind in which we have participated. Even small children can understand the concept of thinking about the things we have done wrong, and then throwing them away, with a promise to try harder in the next year.

At the conclusion of the Family Service (3:00 p.m.), a caravan of cars will form in the front of the Temple so that we can travel together to the Anderson home. In the event of inclement weather, updates will be announced at morning and family services.

Directions to the Anderson's home at 1406 Valley Road, Meadowbrook 19046:

- Leaving the Temple, drive north on Old York Road (0.2) mi.
- Turn right at Susquehanna Road to the bottom of the hill (0.7) mi.
- Turn left onto Valley Road (0.8) mi.
- The Anderson home is on the left, at the corner of Valley Road and Paul Brook Lane.

Please pull in to park in the driveways (one in the front of the house on Valley Road and one in the back of the house off Paul Brook Lane) for additional parking. Convenient parking will also be available at the Meadowbrook Train Station, past the Anderson home on the right-hand side of Valley Road. Please use care when crossing the street. Parking is not permitted on Valley Road or Paul Brook Lane.

**SECOND DAY ROSH HASHANAH
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1**

**Morning Service •
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Molish Sanctuary
Sermon by Rabbi Lynnnda Targan:

“The Jewish Life-Changing Magic of Tidying Up”

Prayer books are provided for this service.

**Special Baby Blessing Ceremony
(Time approx. 11:00 a.m.)**

We invite you to bring your child, grandchild or great grandchild (born since last Rosh HaShanah) to Beth Am for a special blessing which will take place before the Torah service. We realize that it may not be possible for your special baby to be with us, so you are invited to bring the child's photo to the bimah; through you, we will bless them, too! Each baby will receive a special gift. Kiddush follows the service.

Membership badges not required.

**SHABBAT SHUVAH
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4**

(H)our Shabbat Service with October birthday blessings • 6:30 p.m.
Molish Sanctuary

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

Torah Study • 9:00 a.m.
Shabbat Service • 10:15 a.m.
Temple Beth Torah Chapel

**KOL NIDREI
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8**

Service • 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.
Opening with the music of Kol Nidrei performed by our cellist Steve Kramer, Cantor Zarkh and our professional choir. Sermon by Rabbi Leib: “Articulating a Theology of Hope in Times of Need”

Membership badges required.

**YOM KIPPUR
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9**

**Young Family Service •
9:00 - 9:45 a.m.**

Temple Beth Torah Chapel
Led by Rabbi Tornberg with music by “Miss Leslie” Kraemer for families with children in Kindergarten and younger.

Membership badges not required.

**Morning Service •
10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Molish Sanctuary
Sermon by Rabbi Tornberg: “Al Cheit

Shechatanu: Judaism, Race and Ethics”

Membership badges required.

**Teen and Tween BAFTY-led Service •
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

Temple Beth Torah Chapel
Grades 6-12, with music by guest song leader

Membership badges not required; teen friends welcome

“Sharing our Stories” • 1:00 p.m.

Strick Auditorium
Moderated by Barry Tinkleman, VP Religious Practices, featuring new executive officers sharing their individual, unique Jewish journeys.

Membership badges not required for the following services in the Molish Sanctuary:

Family Service • 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.
Children Grades 1 - 5 and their families
Led by Rabbi Leib, Rabbi Tornberg and Cantor Zarkh, with Kol Nidrei played by Micheala Patalano and Mark Daugherty

**Minchah (Afternoon Service) •
3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**

**Torah Service, Third Aliyah
Veterans and Representatives of
Family Members** serving in the United States or Israeli Armed Forces
**Torah Service, Fourth Aliyah
The Bereaved** -- those who have lost a family member during the past year of 5779

**Yizkor (Memorial Service) •
4:30 - 5:30 p.m.**

Sermon by Rabbi Leib: “Building a Network of Care and Compassion”

The Book of Remembrance will be used for this service.

FREE CHILD CARE

Child care will be offered for toilet-trained children, 2 years-old and above during the Memorial Service only, in classrooms 203-204. Parents are required to sign an authorization form before leaving a child in our care. Pick-up immediately following the Memorial Service.

Neilah (Concluding Service) •

5:30 - 6:45 p.m.

The closing service for Yom Kippur includes an opportunity for all children to come to the bimah to participate in Havdalah and to wave light sticks, helping to signify the end of the fast. If you have a shofar, you are invited to bring it to *Neilah* to participate in a group “*Tekiah Gedolah!*”

Brotherhood sponsored

“Break-the-Fast” • 6:45 p.m.

Strick Auditorium

EREV SUKKOT

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 •

5:00 - 7:00 P.M.

Erev Sukkot gathering hosted by Rabbi Shoshanah Tornberg and Dr. David Fryer and their family in their Sukkah, 138 Ashley Way, Plymouth Meeting. Limited capacity. All ages welcome.

RSVP required. Contact Bonnie Marks at bmarks@oyrtbetham.org, or 215-886-8000.

SUKKOT

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14 • 10:00 A.M.

Service in the Sukkah
Led by Rabbi Tornberg and
Cantor Zarkh

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 • 6:00 P.M.

Sisterhood Sippin’ in the Sukkah
Dinner followed by program in the
Temple Beth Torah Chapel

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

Erev Shabbat Service • 6:00 p.m.

Molish Sanctuary

BAFTY Dinner in the Sukkah •

7:00 p.m.

RSVP to Jamie Madnick,
jamiemadnick123@gmail.com
Oneg Shabbat in the Sukkah

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

**Consecration of our New Mensch Lab
Students • 9:30 a.m.**

Molish Sanctuary
Reception in the Sukkah for
consecrants and their guests • 10:00 a.m.

SIMCHAT TORAH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Erev Simchat Torah Service •

6:30 p.m.

Molish Sanctuary

Join our community of all ages and stages as we roll out a Czech Holocaust Memorial Torah Scroll and honor all b. mitzvah candidates for 5780. Music with our T’filah Band. Ice cream treats and candy apples for the kids!

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21 • 10:00 A.M.

**Service/Yizkor led by Rabbi Leib
and Cantor Zarkh**

Temple Beth Torah Chapel



PARKING

Special arrangements have been made for additional parking with our neighbors during the High Holy Day season. We will operate shuttles from the Abington Junior High School parking lot (upper lot adjacent to the Junior High main entrance) to our Temple throughout Rosh HaShanah morning, for Kol Nidre, and the entire day of Yom Kippur. It’s only a four-minute ride. We urge you to take advantage of this convenient parking option for your entire family. We suggest that you drive directly to the Junior High School parking lot, utilizing Highland Avenue south of Susquehanna Road, and turn onto the service road just before the Administration Building, rather than delivering your passengers to Beth Am. The tennis courts will be on your left just before you get to the lot. The shuttles will continually loop between the lot and our building, making this option convenient and safe. Please maintain a safe speed and take special care when backing out from diagonal parking spots.

Please help us maintain cordial relationships with our neighbors as they may be conducting business throughout the Holidays. We ask that you do not park in the lot of the office building at the end of our spur road at any time during the Holidays. Limited parking will be available at the BB&T Bank across the street from Beth Am ONLY when the bank is not open. The lot will be available for Erev Rosh HaShanah and Kol Nidrei, but not on Rosh HaShanah or Yom Kippur days.



**CARS DISPLAYING A
DISABILITY PARKING
LICENSE PLATE OR PLACARD**

will find convenient diagonal parking close to the main entrance and the ramp leading to the door adjacent to the courtroom. Additional spaces will also be available in the rear parking lot.

SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

If you or a family member has a medical need that can best be accommodated with special seating, please take advantage of the reserved section in the Molish Sanctuary as well as the entire front row of seats in the Strick Auditorium reserved for congregants with special needs and an escort.



**HEARING AMPLIFICATION
DEVICES/INTERPRETATION
SERVICES**

A limited number of hearing amplification devices are available for loan from the ushers at the entrance to the Molish Sanctuary. If you require sign language interpreting services for any High Holy Day events, please inform the synagogue office by September 16.

**FLORAL/FOOD BASKET
DEDICATIONS**

To dedicate pulpit flowers or food baskets for the High Holy Days, please call Bonnie Marks in the Temple Office. Your contribution of \$75 will help enhance our bimah.

SECURITY

We wish to assure our entire congregational family that there WILL be security details both inside and outside the building throughout the High Holy Days.

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For the most up-to-date
information about services
and synagogue activities
visit our website to sign up to
receive our weekly emails.

CANNED PROTEINS REQUESTED FOR MITZVAH FOOD PROJECT

Federation's Mitzvah Food Project (MFP) distributes food packages to more than 2,000 households yearly. Please

bring your donations to the bins in the lobby. Our congregation has been asked to donate **ONLY** canned protein such as tuna, beans, or nut butters. All food must be Kosher, have a current date, and be unopened; no bulk sizes or glass items please. Lower sugar and low salt items are needed due to the growing senior client



population and clients with special dietary needs. Please bring your contribution of food to the Temple any time between September 19 and October 11. Together, we can help to alleviate hunger in our community.

MAZON: A JEWISH RESPONSE TO HUNGER

Each year, MAZON brings critical nourishment to millions of hungry families in the United States and around the world by granting more than \$4 million to emergency food providers, food banks, multi-service organizations and advocacy groups that seek long-term solutions to the hunger problem. Beth Am is one of the nearly 900 synagogues

throughout the United States that have affirmed "partnerships" with MAZON, thereby embracing the traditional Jewish commitment to sustain the hungry. To make a donation: MAZON: A Jewish Response to Hunger, 10495 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 100, Los Angeles, CA 90025. (Pre-addressed envelopes available on the literature rack in the front lobby.)

USHERS ARE NEEDED

Please help welcome everyone to Beth Am during the High Holy Days. Consider volunteering to serve as an usher during one or more of these special services. Contact Richard Wright at 267-240-7743.

PRAYER BOOK

This High Holy Day season we will use Mishkan HaNefesh Erev Rosh HaShanah, for the first day of Rosh HaShanah, Kol Nidre and throughout Yom Kippur Day. (Our own Book of Remembrance will be used for Yizkor, including the names of loved ones along with special readings). If you have not already purchased your own set of Mishkan HaNefesh, we encourage you to do that now! You can order on-line, direct from the publisher, the Central Conference of American Rabbis (CCARPress.org). The cost is \$42/set plus shipping; large print books are available. There will be no prayer books available to loan. The prayer books used for the family services and for the Second Day of Rosh HaShanah will be distributed by our ushers.



BADGES MAKE FOR A FRIENDLY WELCOME THROUGHOUT THE YEAR!

How often have you seen a familiar face but can't recall that person's name? When your family is as large as ours, it can happen often. This year we will again issue a membership badge to proudly wear at Beth Am during the High Holy Days. You are encouraged to wear it throughout the year. Not only will it help connect us, but it adds to our feeling of security. Badges are provided to members in good standing 18 and older. A member in good standing is current in all financial obligations to the congregation or is someone who has made other arrangements. These badges will be required for admission to the following High Holy Day Services: Rosh HaShanah morning (first day), Kol Nidrei, and Yom Kippur morning. All our other services are open to the community. You are welcome to bring guests (no badges required) to Erev Rosh HaShanah service, the second day of Rosh HaShanah morning service, the 9:00 a.m. Young Family service, Teen services and all our afternoon services.



Badges for Members in Good Standing are enclosed in the plastic sleeve to be hung on a lanyard. Lanyards are available in the lobby now through the High Holy Day season. Please contact our Bookkeeper, Yelena Korotchuk, at ext. 145 with questions about your synagogue account and to make a payment. Please note: Your adult children (and their friends) are encouraged to join our Congregation. Individuals 30 and under are encouraged to support their Temple with their contribution of a \$54 Sustaining Fee plus a \$50 Security Fee. Membership badges are provided to the adult children of our members from age 18 through 25. If your child is a full-time student over the age of 25, please let us know; we will be happy to provide a badge. Badges are NOT transferable.

WELCOMING GUESTS

Congregants in good standing may purchase guest badges for relatives or friends (not members of a congregation) who live more than 100 miles from this area. This cost is \$250 per person. Members in good standing of other Temples who may be visiting for the High Holy Days must contact their own synagogue to complete a courtesy seating request form to be forwarded to Beth Am's Administrative Office (FAX 215-886-8320) or emailed to Jackie Lehner at jlehner@oyrtbetham.org. Each guest will receive a badge. If your plans include travel outside the area, we can provide a courtesy seating form to you so that you may attend services at a reciprocating synagogue.

In addition, college students and military service personnel will receive guest badges at no charge.